

**From:** McGrath, Patricia  
**Location:** R10IOO-Confln **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**  
**Importance:** Normal  
**Subject:** Pebble Project check-in  
**Start Date/Time:** Tue 1/2/2018 11:00:00 PM  
**End Date/Time:** Wed 1/3/2018 12:00:00 AM

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Per my email, this meeting is to discuss:

- Establishing EPA team to respond to 404 permit application/NEPA
- Attendance at Jan 18 pre-scoping/pre-cooperating agency meeting in Anchorage
- Timing/process for providing the USACE feedback on the cooperating agency workplan

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**From:** Szerlog, Michael  
**Sent:** Fri 1/5/2018 6:31:24 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Bristol Bay Check-in

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Thanks

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**From:** R10-OERA Calendar

**Sent:** Thursday, December 14, 2017 3:20 PM

**To:** R10-OERA Calendar; Allnutt, David; Anderson-Carnahan, Linda; McGrath, Patricia; Palomaki, Ashley; **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy** Szerlog, Michael; Steiner-Riley, Cara; Lindsay, Andrea; Skadowski, Suzanne; Nogi, Jill

**Subject:** Bristol Bay Check-in

**When:** Friday, January 05, 2018 4:00 PM-4:30 PM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada).

**Where:** R10Sea-Room-14Elwha/R10-Rooms-Service-Center

**From:** Peterson, Erik  
**Location:** R10Sea-Room-20Cedar/R10-Rooms-Service-Center  
**Importance:** Normal  
**Subject:** BB Funds - \$80,410  
**Start Date/Time:** Thur 4/5/2018 8:00:00 PM  
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## Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process

I'll work to get an update from David Allnutt about the FOIA support conversation.

Ashley, Palmer and Brittany, I'm keeping you in the loop as this continues to move forward.

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So, you can decide whether you need to come to this based on your role on the permitting and EIS side.

### Agenda

Discuss draft plan for Szerlog's BB funds

Next steps – final general plan to Szerlog by April 6<sup>th</sup>.

Notes from 11/26 BB funds meeting and from 11/27 Peterson and Szerlog meeting

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- Michael would like a final memo with basic recommendations on how the region will use the funds by **COB April 6th**

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**From:** Werntz, James

**Location:** R10Sea-Room-11Camas-ORC-VTC/R10-Rooms-Restricted; R10IOO-ConfLn

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**Importance:** Normal

**Subject:** ET Mining Subgroup Quarterly Meeting

**Start Date/Time:** Wed 4/4/2018 8:00:00 PM

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**(Patty, please engage the phone for us in the conference room)**

Colleagues: Here is the proposed Agenda for this Wednesday's meeting of the Mining Subgroup.

- Welcome and Agenda Review
- Upcoming Region 10 mining sector retreat (5/16) – (10 min)
- OP Smart Sector mining lead visit to Region 10 (5/15 – 17) – (15 min)
- Highlights from April mining subgroup ET update (Patty sent this to you a couple weeks ago, but I am resending it here as an attachment) – (20 min)
  - Transboundary
  - Fast 41 & mining
  - Specific projects
- Round Robin (15 min)
- Adjourn

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# United States Army Corps of Engineers

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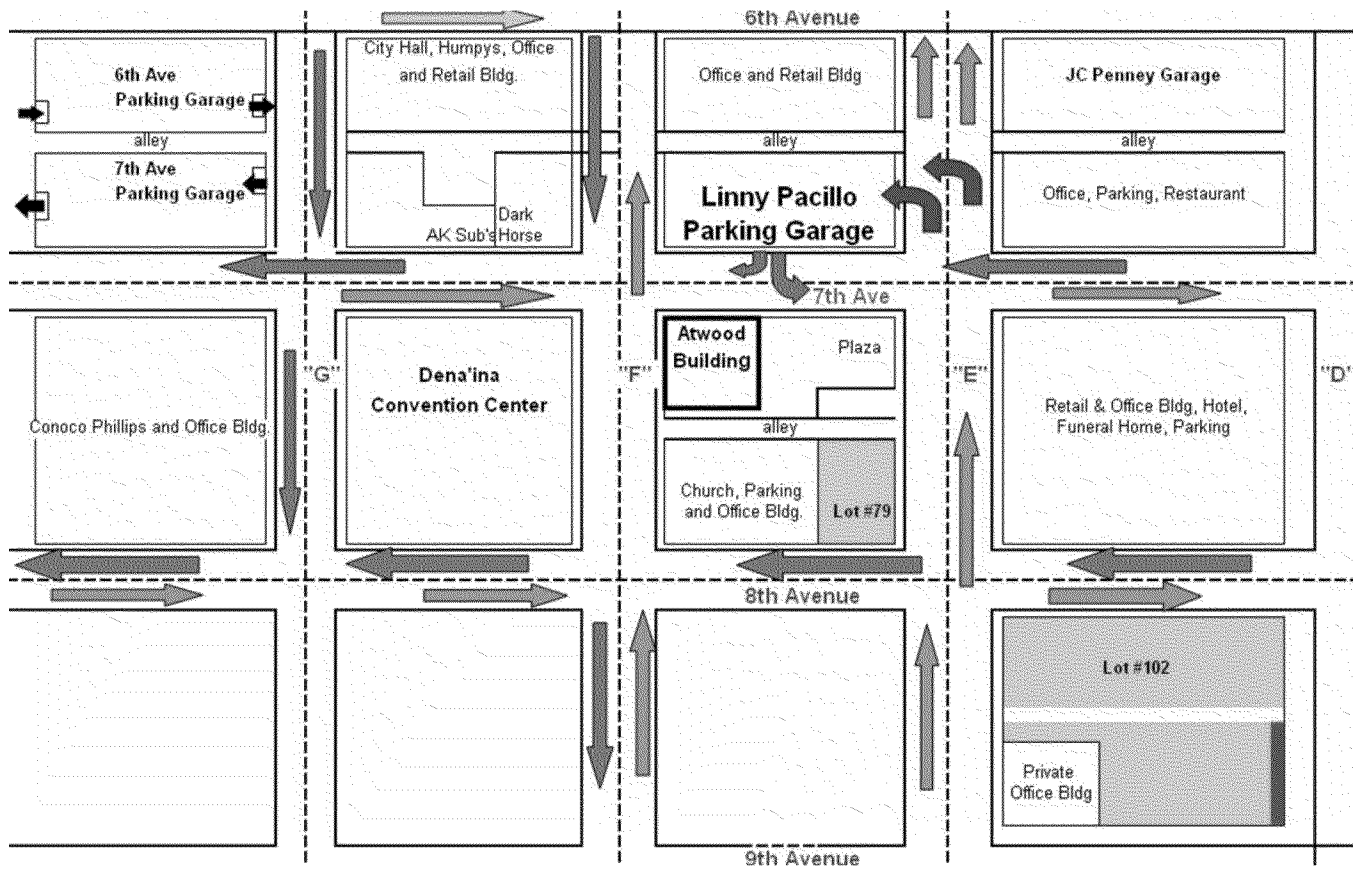
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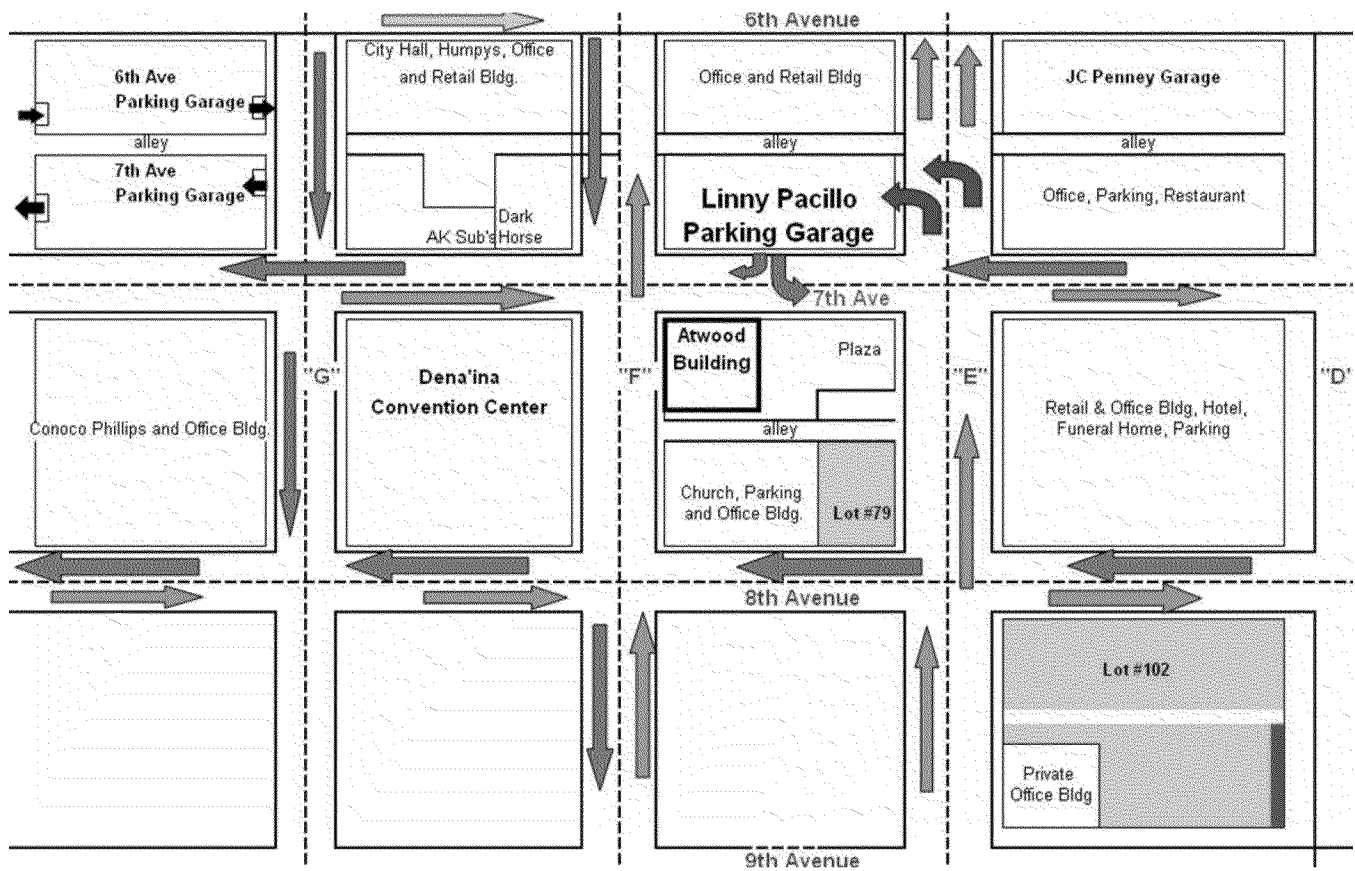
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**From:** Hough, Palmer  
**Sent:** Thur 1/18/2018 10:36:25 AM  
**Subject:** Re: Bristol Bay Briefing

David

That sounds great. Glad that you and Ashley can give the briefing and glad you will be in DC and able to do your part in person.

Palmer

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 17, 2018, at 8:26 PM, Allnutt, David <Allnutt.David@epa.gov> wrote:

Palmer – finding a date that worked for the OFA folks has been challenging. Sorry you won't be able to participate, but confident that Ashley and I can cover. I will actually be in DC on the 31<sup>st</sup>, so will be able to do my Palmer impersonation in person for Rob et al.



**From:** Hough, Palmer

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 17, 2018 7:30 AM  
**To:** Allnutt, David <Allnutt.David@epa.gov>; Palomaki, Ashley  
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**Subject:** RE: Bristol Bay Briefing

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**From:** Hladick, Christopher  
**Sent:** Fri 2/16/2018 7:36:03 PM  
**Subject:** Draft communication for Ryan Jackson

David:

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Please review edit/add as you see fit. I have no pride in ownership I do have pride in accuracy thus your set of eyes would be helpful.

Next steps on Pebble:

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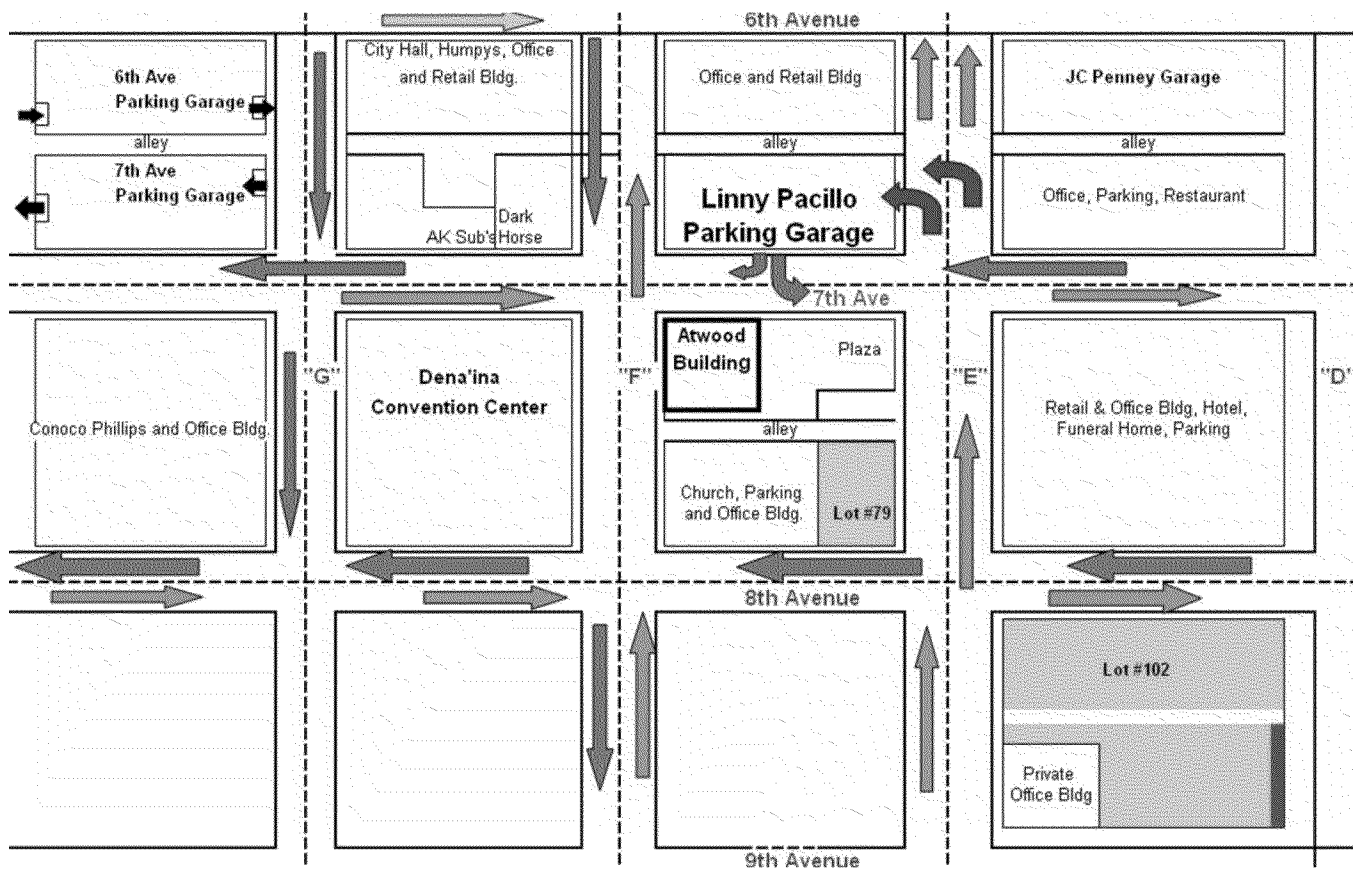


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**From:** McGrath, Patricia  
**Sent:** Thur 3/1/2018 8:25:55 PM  
**Subject:** RE: revised letter

The letter looks good to me with Ashley's edit.  
Patty

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**From:** Palomaki, Ashley  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 1, 2018 12:21 PM  
**To:** Vaughan, Molly <Vaughan.Molly@epa.gov>; Allnutt, David <Allnutt.David@epa.gov>; McGrath, Patricia <mcgrath.patricia@epa.gov>; Nogi, Jill <nogi.jill@epa.gov>  
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I don't either with the exception of one nit in paragraph 2:

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Molly

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**From:** Peterson, Erik  
**Sent:** Mon 3/19/2018 4:41:36 PM  
**Subject:** RE: status of Pebble NEPA process

Thank you, I will share this with the 404 ( c ) team tomorrow.



**Erik Peterson**, NEPA Reviewer

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**To:** Peterson, Erik <Peterson.Erik@epa.gov>  
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FYI --



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Have a good weekend.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 16, 2018, at 4:58 PM, Allnutt, David <[Allnutt.David@epa.gov](mailto:Allnutt.David@epa.gov)> wrote:

Chris – Marianne tells me that you were looking for some information about the Corps' proposed schedule. Here's what we know as of last week. Patty may have some updates or corrections to this based on her participation in a cooperating agency meeting a couple of days ago.



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Hi David-

I understand attendance at the briefing tomorrow is limited.

In case folks ask, below is the latest information about the NEPA process

NEPA Schedule - USACE predicts EIS scoping in April 2018; draft EIS in January 2019; final EIS in December 2019; ROD in March 2020

(Note - the schedule beyond scoping is subject to change depending on the gap analysis for the project information and baseline data that will occur during/following scoping)

404 permit – USACE has indicated that the 404(b)(1) analysis will occur concurrent with the EIS, however it is not clear whether a draft 404(b)(1) analysis will be available with the draft EIS or at the final EIS stage (that could be sorted out at the cooperating agency meeting next week)

Other permits - As far as I know, PLP has not submitted permit applications to the State or other agencies and has indicated that there is no intention to do so this year.

Cooperating agency meeting - We were invited to participate in a cooperating agency meeting next week to discuss the draft scoping document (which is to be sent to us this week), cooperating agency plan, and EIS schedule

Please let me know if you have questions.

Patty

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**ET Mining Subgroup – Mining Sector Update**  
**January 5, 2018**  
Patty McGrath

ET Mining Subgroup Meeting – last meeting was 11/8/2017; next meeting TBD

RA Briefing on Mining Sector – 1/17/2018, 2:30 - 4

Region 10 Mining Team (RMT)

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NEPA and Permitting Updates

- Current cross-programmatic mining work:

Mine Project

**Non-responsive: Material unrelated to Bristol Bay/Pebble Mine**

	NEPA 404 NPDES (o/s) Air (o/s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Two teams established; PD withdrawal team &amp; NEPA/permitting team.</li></ul> <div><b>Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process</b></div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- NEPA/permitting team - USACE determined the 404 application complete and is planning NEPA. EPA is reviewing the Cooperating Agency Plan and will participate in Jan 18 meeting with agencies and the applicant</li><li>- Per USACE, PLP seeks streamlined process that was developed under FAST-41</li><li>- Reviewing State exploration oversight</li></ul>
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Travel/Logistics

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**Subject:** List of current EPA staff who worked on the BBWA  
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Patty

Attached is a list of current EPA folks who worked on the BBWA to potentially tap to assist with the NEPA effort.

I have put my recommendations in bold.

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-Palmer

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**From:** McGrath, Patricia  
**Location:** David's office  
**Importance:** Normal  
**Subject:** response to Corp's cooperating agency invite for Pebble EIS  
**Start Date/Time:** Fri 1/26/2018 10:00:00 PM  
**End Date/Time:** Fri 1/26/2018 11:00:00 PM

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Meeting is rescheduled for Friday at David's request.

Purpose is to discuss letter in response to the Corps' cooperating agency invitation.

The most recent version of the letter will be sent out prior to this meeting.

**To:** McGrath, Patricia[mcgrath.patricia@epa.gov]; Allnutt, David[Allnutt.David@epa.gov]; Szerlog, Michael[Szerlog.Michael@epa.gov]; Nogi, Jill[nogi.jill@epa.gov]; Combes, Marcia[Combes.Marcia@epa.gov]; Palomaki, Ashley[Palomaki.Ashley@epa.gov]  
**Cc:** Schofield, Kate[Schofield.Kate@epa.gov]; Frithsen, Jeff[Frithsen.Jeff@epa.gov]; Bennett, Brittany[bennett.brittany@epa.gov]; Fordham, Tami[Fordham.Tami@epa.gov]; Gude, Karen[Gude.Karen@epa.gov]; Holsman, Marianne[Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov]; Hough, Palmer[Hough.Palmer@epa.gov]; Lindsay, Andrea[Lindsay.Andrea@epa.gov]; Murphy, Stacy[Murphy.Stacy@epa.gov]; Nalven, Heidi[Nalven.Heidi@epa.gov]; Ortiz, Michael[Ortiz.Michael@epa.gov]; Skadowski, Suzanne[Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov]; Steiner-Riley, Cara[Steiner-Riley.Cara@epa.gov]; Threet, Derek[Threet.Derek@epa.gov]; Walker, Denise[Walker.Denise@epa.gov]; Wehling, Carrie[Wehling.Carrie@epa.gov]  
**From:** Hough, Palmer  
**Sent:** Fri 12/29/2017 9:28:59 PM  
**Subject:** New Pebble Plan  
12 22 2017 POA 2017-271 DA Application Pebble Limited Partnership Attach D.pdf

Patty

Thanks for sharing the documents in Pebble's 404 permit application. **Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process**

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Some initial comments:

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**From:** McGrath, Patricia [mailto:no-reply@sharepointonline.com]

**Sent:** Thursday, December 28, 2017 3:25 PM

**To:** Allnutt, David <Allnutt.David@epa.gov>; Szerlog, Michael <Szerlog.Michael@epa.gov>; Nogi, Jill <nogi.jill@epa.gov>; Combes, Marcia <Combes.Marcia@epa.gov>; Palomaki, Ashley <Palomaki.Ashley@epa.gov>; Hough, Palmer <Hough.Palmer@epa.gov>; McGrath, Patricia <mcgrath.patricia@epa.gov>

**Cc:** McGrath, Patricia <mcgrath.patricia@epa.gov>

**Subject:** McGrath, Patricia has shared 'USACE Application information'

All -

Below is a link to PLP's CWA 404 application information that was provided by Sheila Newman (USACE). The USACE is reviewing this information and will be making it publically available following the completeness review. The Project Description can be found in Attachment D.

**Go to USACE Application information**



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**To:** Werntz, James[Werntz.James@epa.gov]; Allnutt, David[Allnutt.David@epa.gov]; Bilbrey, Sheryl[Bilbrey.Sheryl@epa.gov]; Opalski, Dan[Opalski.Dan@epa.gov]; Stern, Allyn[Stern.Alyn@epa.gov]; Combes, Marcia[Combes.Marcia@epa.gov]  
**From:** McGrath, Patricia  
**Sent:** Fri 3/9/2018 10:42:16 PM  
**Subject:** Mining ET subgroup summary - March 2018  
ET\_miningsubgroup\_summary\_201803.docx

Hi Mining ET Subgroup-

Attached is a summary of the mining sector work for March.

Our next in-person meeting is scheduled for April 4.

I want to bring your attention to a few items:

Mining Team Retreat

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**Non-Responsive – Material Unrelated to Bristol Bay/Pebble Mine**

Please let me know if you have questions about the summary.

Best Regards –

Patty

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**ET Mining Subgroup – Mining Sector Update  
March 9, 2018**

ET Mining Subgroup Meeting – last meeting was 11/8/2017; next meeting 4/4/2018

Region 10 Mining Team

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NEPA and Permitting Updates

- Current cross-programmatic NEPA/permitting mining work is summarized in the table below
- The immediate issues over the next few months:
  - Pebble EIS scoping period in April

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	NEPA 404 NPDES (o/s) Air (o/s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Proposal to withdraw 404(c) determinations was suspended in February 2018</li><li>- EPA accepted Corps EIS cooperating agency invite</li><li>- Elevated conversations of EPA's cooperating agency role continue</li><li>- EIS scoping period expected to start in spring 2018</li></ul>
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National Issue - Proposal to Include Mining as a FAST-41 Sector

- Pebble Limited Partnership and the National Mining Association have requested that mining be considered as a new sector under FAST-41 which would subject mining projects to One Federal Decision, streamlining, and schedule control.

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Travel/Logistics

- Potential travel to some of the Pebble EIS scoping meetings in April

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**To:** Allnutt, David[Allnutt.David@epa.gov]  
**From:** Hladick, Christopher  
**Sent:** Fri 3/16/2018 10:13:12 PM  
**Subject:** Re: status of Pebble NEPA process

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Have a good weekend.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 16, 2018, at 4:58 PM, Allnutt, David <Allnutt.David@epa.gov> wrote:

Chris – Marianne tells me that you were looking for some information about the Corps' proposed schedule. Here's what we know as of last week. Patty may have some updates or corrections to this based on her participation in a cooperating agency meeting a couple of days ago.



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**From:** McGrath, Patricia

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 06, 2018 12:36 PM  
**To:** Allnutt, David <[Allnutt.David@epa.gov](mailto:Allnutt.David@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Palomaki, Ashley <[Palomaki.Ashley@epa.gov](mailto:Palomaki.Ashley@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** status of Pebble NEPA process

Hi David-

I understand attendance at the briefing tomorrow is limited.

In case folks ask, below is the latest information about the NEPA process

NEPA Schedule - USACE predicts EIS scoping in April 2018; draft EIS in January 2019; final EIS in December 2019; ROD in March 2020

(Note - the schedule beyond scoping is subject to change depending on the gap analysis for the project information and baseline data that will occur during/following scoping)

404 permit – USACE has indicated that the 404(b)(1) analysis will occur concurrent with the EIS, however it is not clear whether a draft 404(b)(1) analysis will be available with the draft EIS or at the final EIS stage (that could be sorted out at the cooperating agency meeting next week)

Other permits - As far as I know, PLP has not submitted permit applications to the State or other agencies and has indicated that there is no intention to do so this year.

Cooperating agency meeting - We were invited to participate in a cooperating agency meeting next week to discuss the draft scoping document (which is to be sent to us this week), cooperating agency plan, and EIS schedule

Please let me know if you have questions.

Patty

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**From:** Goodin, John  
**Sent:** Fri 12/22/2017 8:57:08 PM  
**Subject:** FW: Please review draft reactive statement re: Pebble Partnership permit application to Army Corps

FYI

**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Friday, December 22, 2017 3:24 PM  
**To:** Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>; Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Shapiro, Mike <Shapiro.Mike@epa.gov>; Best-Wong, Benita <Best-Wong.Benita@epa.gov>; Greenwalt, Sarah <greenwalt.sarah@epa.gov>; Campbell, Ann <Campbell.Ann@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Goodin, John <Goodin.John@epa.gov>; Connors, Sandra <Connors.Sandra@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Please review draft reactive statement re: Pebble Partnership permit application to Army Corps

Thanks

Nancy Grantham

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**From:** Dennis, Allison  
**Sent:** Friday, December 22, 2017 3:19 PM  
**To:** Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Shapiro, Mike <Shapiro.Mike@epa.gov>; Best-Wong, Benita <Best-Wong.Benita@epa.gov>; Greenwalt, Sarah <greenwalt.sarah@epa.gov>; Campbell, Ann <Campbell.Ann@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea

<Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Goodin, John <Goodin.John@epa.gov>; Connors, Sandra  
<Connors.Sandra@epa.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Please review draft reactive statement re: Pebble Partnership permit application to Army Corps

+ Nancy

Nancy,

Thank you for giving us an opportunity to review. See one edit from OGC (Heidi N.) in red and, per Lee's request, I added a message pulled from our most recent statement on this issue. Thank you!

-Allison

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**From:** Forsgren, Lee

**Sent:** Friday, December 22, 2017 1:39 PM

**To:** Dennis, Allison <[Dennis.Allison@epa.gov](mailto:Dennis.Allison@epa.gov)>

**Cc:** Shapiro, Mike <[Shapiro.Mike@epa.gov](mailto:Shapiro.Mike@epa.gov)>; Best-Wong, Benita <[Best-Wong.Benita@epa.gov](mailto:Best-Wong.Benita@epa.gov)>; Greenwalt, Sarah <[greenwalt.sarah@epa.gov](mailto:greenwalt.sarah@epa.gov)>; Campbell, Ann <[Campbell.Ann@epa.gov](mailto:Campbell.Ann@epa.gov)>; Drinkard, Andrea <[Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov](mailto:Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov)>; Goodin, John <[Goodin.John@epa.gov](mailto:Goodin.John@epa.gov)>; Connors, Sandra <[Connors.Sandra@epa.gov](mailto:Connors.Sandra@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** Re: Please review draft reactive statement re: Pebble Partnership permit application to Army Corps

Allison

Call me at 202-578-7458 and we can talk about this.

Lee

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 22, 2017, at 1:18 PM, Dennis, Allison <[Dennis.Allison@epa.gov](mailto:Dennis.Allison@epa.gov)> wrote:

This statement looks fine to me but I need your review ASAP.

This is for OPA to use in case we get inquiries today:

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Friday, December 22, 2017 1:06 PM  
**To:** Drinkard, Andrea <[Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov](mailto:Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov)>; Dennis, Allison <[Dennis.Allison@epa.gov](mailto:Dennis.Allison@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** FW: Please review draft reactive statement re: Pebble Partnership permit application to Army Corps

Can we get this reviewed? Thanks ng

**Nancy Grantham**

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**From:** Holsman, Marianne  
**Sent:** Friday, December 22, 2017 1:00 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Allnutt, David <[Allnutt.David@epa.gov](mailto:Allnutt.David@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Please review draft reactive statement re: Pebble Partnership permit application to Army Corps

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**To:** Grantham, Nancy[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Cc:** Allnutt, David[Allnutt.David@epa.gov]  
**From:** Holsman, Marianne  
**Sent:** Fri 12/22/2017 6:05:35 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Please review draft reactive statement re: Pebble Partnership permit application to Army Corps

Great. We did get comments from Palmer H. in OW as we worked on it.

Marianne

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Friday, December 22, 2017 10:05 AM  
**To:** Holsman, Marianne <Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Allnutt, David <Allnutt.David@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Please review draft reactive statement re: Pebble Partnership permit application to Army Corps

Thanks .. will share with ow as well .

**Nancy Grantham**

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**From:** Holsman, Marianne  
**Sent:** Friday, December 22, 2017 1:00 PM  
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**Cc:** Allnutt, David <[Allnutt.David@epa.gov](mailto:Allnutt.David@epa.gov)>  
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**Location:** David's office; R10Sea-ConfLine

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**Importance:** Normal

**Subject:** Accepted: Pebble EIS scoping meetings

**Start Date/Time:** Thur 3/8/2018 7:30:00 PM

**End Date/Time:** Thur 3/8/2018 8:00:00 PM

**To:** Duncan, Bruce[Duncan.Bruce@epa.gov]; Nogi, Jill[nogi.jill@epa.gov]  
**From:** Allnutt, David  
**Sent:** Wed 3/21/2018 8:30:39 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Hot Topics for RTOC- extended deadline is COB TUESDAY 3/27!!!

Bruce – I agree this topic should be submitted. Would revise/shorten to say:

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Could be further shortened by deleting the last sentence. Sentences are in declining order of importance, so the first two sentences could satisfy Katherine's two sentence limit, if needed. (I've left in more because Pebble used to be (and perhaps still is) one of five "standing topics" that the RTOC asked EPA to update them on during every RTOC meeting.)



**From:** Duncan, Bruce  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 21, 2018 11:30 AM  
**To:** Nogi, Jill <nogi.jill@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Allnutt, David <Allnutt.David@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Hot Topics for RTOC- extended deadline is COB TUESDAY 3/27!!!

Thanks Jill ☺

Bruce Duncan

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**From:** Nogi, Jill  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 21, 2018 7:54 AM  
**To:** Duncan, Bruce <[Duncan.Bruce@epa.gov](mailto:Duncan.Bruce@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Allnutt, David <[Allnutt.David@epa.gov](mailto:Allnutt.David@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Hot Topics for RTOC- extended deadline is COB TUESDAY 3/27!!!

Hi Bruce,

I would run this by David Allnutt for any edits before sharing with Katherine – I'm thinking Bristol Bay is of interest and I pulled this/tweaked a bit from a recent response letter for David's signature:

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**From:** Duncan, Bruce

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 21, 2018 7:25 AM

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**Subject:** FW: !REMINDER! We need your Hot Topics for RTOC- extended deadline is COB TUESDAY 3/27!!!

**Importance:** High

Hi Folks, can you run a quick check with your staff, or, even better, send me a very short answer to the following:

what's happening related to programs in my office that R10 tribes might benefit from hearing about?

I plan to submit something like the following:

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Thanks,

Bruce

Bruce Duncan

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**From:** Brown, Katherine

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 20, 2018 3:16 PM

**To:** R10-Tribal Specialists Team <[R10Tribal\\_Specialists\\_Team@epa.gov](mailto:R10Tribal_Specialists_Team@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** !REMINDER! We need your Hot Topics for RTOC- extended deadline is COB TUESDAY 3/27!!!

Hello.

It's Hot Topics time! This Friday's deadline is extended to next Tuesday 3/27, so please get them in.

**What? 2-3 Hot Topics for RTOC from each office. 1-2 sentences long.** Request them from management or staff. Find them on the internet. Or make them up. Ask yourself, what's happening related to programs in my office that R10 tribes might benefit from hearing about? Track it down and write it up. Edit it to 2 sentences. See examples attached.

Thank you for all you do!

Katherine

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**From:** Allnutt, David  
**Location:** Teleconference/Webinar as below  
**Importance:** Normal  
**Subject:** FW: Agency Pre-Application Meeting - Department of the Army Application for Proposed Pebble Mine  
**Start Date/Time:** Thur 12/21/2017 6:00:00 PM  
**End Date/Time:** Thur 12/21/2017 7:00:00 PM

Mindy – as discussed. I plan to attend this along with my NEPA and 404 program managers. Our RA and DRA are also invited, but their ability to participate is currently unknown.

-----Original Appointment-----

**From:** POA Special Projects [mailto:poaspecialprojects@usace.army.mil]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 04, 2017 3:09 PM  
**To:** POA Special Projects; Drue.pearce@dot.gov; alan.mayberry@dot.gov; linda.daugherty@dot.gov; vasiliki.tsaganos@dot.gov; yvonne.c.yang@uscg.mil; jeddins@achp.gov; rnelson@achp.gov; Allnutt, David; greg.balogh@noaa.gov; jon.kurland@noaa.gov; verena.gill@noaa.gov; doug.limpinsel@noaa.gov; matthew.eagleton@noaa.gov; gretchen.harrington@noaa.gov; kevin.pendergast@bsee.gov; kyle.moselle@alaska.gov; Colligan, Mary; karen\_clark@fws.gov  
**Subject:** Agency Pre-Application Meeting - Department of the Army Application for Proposed Pebble Mine  
**When:** Thursday, December 21, 2017 9:00 AM-10:00 AM (UTC-09:00) Alaska.  
**Where:** Teleconference/Webinar as below

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Thank you to all for responding so quickly and accommodating this request. I will send an agenda and preliminary information prior to the meeting but definitely wanted to get this one on the books with the holidays approaching!

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Sheila

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**End Date/Time:** Wed 1/31/2018 7:45:00 PM



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**Cc:** Knight, Kelly[knight.kelly@epa.gov]; Nogi, Jill[nogi.jill@epa.gov]  
**From:** Allnutt, David  
**Sent:** Wed 3/14/2018 9:06:02 PM  
**Subject:** Pebble EIS info  
[18-000-5435 Correspondence.pdf](#)  
[18-000-5456 Correspondence.pdf](#)

Rob - Thanks for the call earlier. Just to give you a flavor of what we're dealing with here, attached are copies of two CMSs that I received just today. The first is from two U.S. House committee chairs and includes the following recommendations:

the Committees recommend that before taking any further action, EPA recognize that a permit application has been completed by Pebble and that the Corps is carrying out a rigorous EIS process. Moreover, we suggest that EPA clearly states that in the event the EIS scoping process undertaken by the Corps addresses all of the major issues identified in the 2014 proposed determination, that EPA will withdraw the proposed determination. To further alleviate any environmental concerns that you may have regarding this process, the Committee recommends that EPA Region 10 monitor the Corps' scoping process and review any public comments filed therein. After consultation with Region 10, the EPA can make a final informed decision on the status of the proposed determination.

The second is from the Speaker of the Alaska House and expresses concern that the NEPA process outlined by the Corps is not "suitably careful, transparent, thorough, and comprehensive."

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Ladies and Gentlemen,

Thank you to all for responding so quickly and accommodating this request. I will send an agenda and preliminary information prior to the meeting but definitely wanted to get this one on the books with the holidays approaching!

Vr

Sheila

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**To:** Hladick, Christopher[hladick.christopher@epa.gov]  
**From:** Allnutt, David  
**Sent:** Fri 2/16/2018 11:45:26 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Draft communication for Ryan Jackson

Chris – Unless you think we need to await affirmation from Ryan Jackson, we'll be contacting Sheila early next week to orally agree to cooperate. We'll follow up with a written acceptance letter later in the week or following. I'm thinking that both our oral and written communications will emphasize that we think that EPA should play a broader role than currently envisioned by the Alaska District.



**From:** Hladick, Christopher  
**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 2:07 PM  
**To:** Allnutt, David <Allnutt.David@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Draft communication for Ryan Jackson

thanks

Chris Hladick

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**From:** Allnutt, David

**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 12:59 PM

**To:** Hladick, Christopher <[hladick.christopher@epa.gov](mailto:hladick.christopher@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: Draft communication for Ryan Jackson

Chris – here's a stab:

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**From:** Hladick, Christopher  
**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 11:36 AM  
**To:** Allnutt, David <[Allnutt.David@epa.gov](mailto:Allnutt.David@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Draft communication for Ryan Jackson

David:

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**From:** Allnutt, David

**Location:** R10Sea-Room-14Elwha/R10-Rooms-Service-Center **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**

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**Importance:** Normal

**Subject:** Accepted: Bristol Bay Check-in

**Start Date/Time:** Fri 1/5/2018 6:30:00 PM

**End Date/Time:** Fri 1/5/2018 7:30:00 PM

**From:** Allnutt, David

**Location:** R10Sea-Room-20Cedar/R10-Rooms-Service-Center

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**Importance:** Normal

**Subject:** Accepted: FW: Pebble NEPA/permitting team meeting

**Start Date/Time:** Thur 1/11/2018 9:00:00 PM

**End Date/Time:** Thur 1/11/2018 10:00:00 PM

**To:** Hladick, Christopher[hladick.christopher@epa.gov]  
**From:** Allnutt, David  
**Sent:** Fri 2/16/2018 8:58:56 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Draft communication for Ryan Jackson

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**From:** Allnutt, David

**Location:** Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy

**Importance:** Normal

**Subject:** Accepted: Pebble Project check-in

**Start Date/Time:** Tue 1/2/2018 11:00:00 PM

**End Date/Time:** Wed 1/3/2018 12:00:00 AM



**To:** Hough, Palmer[Hough.Palmer@epa.gov]; Palomaki, Ashley[Palomaki.Ashley@epa.gov]  
**From:** Allnutt, David  
**Sent:** Thur 1/18/2018 1:26:40 AM  
**Subject:** RE: Bristol Bay Briefing

Palmer – finding a date that worked for the OFA folks has been challenging. Sorry you won't be able to participate, but confident that Ashley and I can cover. I will actually be in DC on the 31<sup>st</sup>, so will be able to do my Palmer impersonation in person for Rob et al.



**From:** Hough, Palmer  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 17, 2018 7:30 AM  
**To:** Allnutt, David <Allnutt.David@epa.gov>; Palomaki, Ashley <Palomaki.Ashley@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Bristol Bay Briefing

Ashley/David

The BB briefing for OFA has apparently been scheduled for 1/31. I will be leading a 404

training in Atlanta on 1/30-31 and unable to participate. This has been on my calendar for a while. Did you still want me to help give this briefing?

-Palmer

-----Original Appointment-----

**From:** Knight, Kelly **On Behalf Of** R10-OERA Calendar

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 17, 2018 10:21 AM

**To:** Miller, Clay; Hough, Palmer; Allnutt, David; Palomaki, Ashley; Nogi, Jill; McGrath, Patricia; Tomiak, Robert; Knight, Kelly; Tyler, Tom; Gentile, Laura; Dawson, Shelly;

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**Subject:** FW: Bristol Bay Briefing

**When:** Wednesday, January 31, 2018 10:30 AM-11:45 AM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada).

**Where:** R10Sea-Room-14Elwha/R10-Rooms-Service-Center: ConfMM Line:

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**From:** R10-OERA Calendar

**Sent:** Tuesday, January 16, 2018 3:17 PM

**To:** R10-OERA Calendar; Allnutt, David; Palomaki, Ashley; Nogi, Jill; McGrath, Patricia; Tomiak, Robert; Knight, Kelly; Tyler, Tom; Gentile, Laura; Dawson, Shelly;

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**From:** Allnutt, David  
**Sent:** Thur 3/1/2018 8:25:36 PM  
**Subject:** RE: revised letter

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**From:** Palomaki, Ashley  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 01, 2018 12:21 PM  
**To:** Vaughan, Molly <Vaughan.Molly@epa.gov>; Allnutt, David <Allnutt.David@epa.gov>; McGrath, Patricia <mcgrath.patricia@epa.gov>; Nogi, Jill <nogi.jill@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: revised letter

I don't either with the exception of one nit in paragraph 2:

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**Ashley Palomaki**  
Assistant Regional Counsel  
U.S. EPA Region 10 Office of Regional Counsel  
1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900, ORC-113  
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**From:** Vaughan, Molly  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 01, 2018 12:18 PM  
**To:** Allnutt, David <Allnutt.David@epa.gov>; McGrath, Patricia <mcgrath.patricia@epa.gov>; Nogi, Jill <nogi.jill@epa.gov>; Palomaki, Ashley <Palomaki.Ashley@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: revised letter

Hi David,  
Thank you for sharing the revised letter. I don't have any concerns with the edits.  
Regards,  
Molly

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**From:** Allnutt, David  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 01, 2018 11:02 AM  
**To:** McGrath, Patricia <[mcgrath.patricia@epa.gov](mailto:mcgrath.patricia@epa.gov)>; Vaughan, Molly <[Vaughan.Molly@epa.gov](mailto:Vaughan.Molly@epa.gov)>; Nogi, Jill <[nogi.jill@epa.gov](mailto:nogi.jill@epa.gov)>; Palomaki, Ashley <[Palomaki.Ashley@epa.gov](mailto:Palomaki.Ashley@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** revised letter

All - I've whacked at the letter a bit, primarily for brevity and clarity. Clean and redlined versions attached. If there are changes you cannot abide, please let me know.

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**To:** Pirzadeh, Michelle[Pirzadeh.Michelle@epa.gov]  
**Cc:** Palomaki, Ashley[Palomaki.Ashley@epa.gov]; Hladick, Christopher[hladick.christopher@epa.gov]; Tyler, Kendra[Tyler.Kendra@epa.gov]; Holsman, Marianne[Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov]; Peterson, Erik[Peterson.Erik@epa.gov]; McGrath, Patricia[mcgrath.patricia@epa.gov]  
**From:** Allnutt, David  
**Sent:** Fri 1/5/2018 10:24:03 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Don't turn your back on Bristol Bay

Michelle – thanks for the heads up. Just so you know, with Derek Threet's departure and Pebble's submission of an application, we're in the process of establishing two teams to work on Bristol Bay issues. Patty McGrath is going to lead the team considering the Corps' permit application and associated NEPA review, and Erik Petersen is going to lead the team working on EPA's proposal to withdraw the PD. Getting messages like this out of your inbox and into the appropriate record-keeping system will fall under Erik's team's purview. He Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy

Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy will be working on getting his team formed and functional.



**From:** Pirzadeh, Michelle  
**Sent:** Friday, January 05, 2018 1:06 PM  
**To:** Allnutt, David <Allnutt.David@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Palomaki, Ashley <Palomaki.Ashley@epa.gov>; Hladick, Christopher <hladick.christopher@epa.gov>; Tyler, Kendra <Tyler.Kendra@epa.gov>; Holsman, Marianne <Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Don't turn your back on Bristol Bay

FYI, I am getting more of these emails again. Not the same volume as before, but definitely an uptick.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Emily Bauer <[emi.bauer@crms.org](mailto:emi.bauer@crms.org)>  
**Date:** January 5, 2018 at 11:40:59 AM PST  
**To:** [Pirzadeh.michelle@epamail.epa.gov](mailto:Pirzadeh.michelle@epamail.epa.gov)  
**Subject:** Don't turn your back on Bristol Bay

Dear EPA Region 10 Acting Administrator EPA Region 10 Administrator Michelle Pirzadeh,

As you know, Bristol Bay, Alaska, is one of America's last great wild salmon fisheries. Tens of millions of wild salmon return annually, which support upwards of 14,000 American jobs in the commercial and sport fishing industries, serve as a one-in-a-lifetime destination for anglers from around the world, and are the cultural cornerstone for the region's communities.

These long-established American businesses and jobs are at risk from a foreign-owned mining company that wants to build the proposed Pebble Mine. Although Alaskans typically support resource development, more than 65 percent of Alaskans and more than 80 percent of Bristol Bay residents oppose the proposed Pebble Mine. If built, the Pebble Mine would be many times larger than America's current largest open-pit mine and require several large earthen dams (taller than the Space Needle in Seattle) to hold back billions of tons of mine waste. This waste would require perpetual remediation and be forever at the headwaters of two of the most productive salmon rivers in the world.

In 2010, frustrated with ineffective and inadequate options for addressing the proposed mine at the local level, Alaska Native Tribes, commercial fishing business owners and sportsmen asked the EPA step in to ensure that this mine wouldn't jeopardize local communities, American jobs and the region's thriving economy and culture.

The EPA responded by hosting dozens of community meetings, reviewing Pebble's many detailed filings with state and federal agencies, and conducting a twice peer-reviewed scientific assessment of the potential impacts to the region. After years of review and input from Americans, the EPA determined that a large mine of the type and scale contemplated by Pebble would have huge detrimental effects on the fish, recreation and communities in the area, and based on this information proposed several restrictions that any mining in the

Pebble area would have to meet.

Over the course of the EPA's own comment and public review processes, the EPA heard from millions of Americans. More than 1.5 million Americans wrote to the EPA asking for strong protections for Bristol Bay. Withdrawing the proposed determination would fly in the face of an overwhelming majority of Alaskans and put the short-term interests of a foreign mining company above thousands of American jobs. We are writing you today to ask that you stand with American jobs and communities and not withdraw the proposed determination.

Alaskans asked for the EPA's involvement and for up-front protections for Bristol Bay's jobs and fisheries.

Please do not trade American businesses and jobs and our wild salmon for the shallow promises of a foreign mining company.

Sincerely,

Emily Bauer

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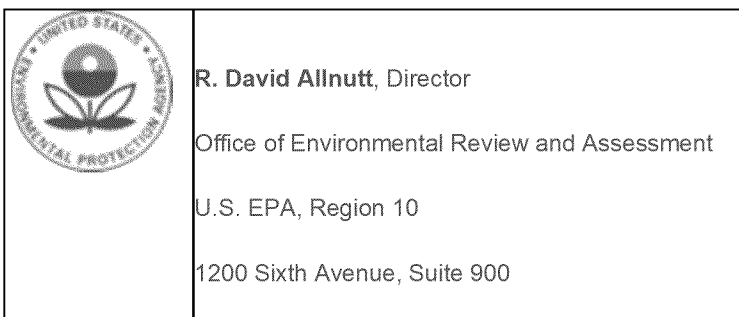
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**From:** Allnutt, David  
**Sent:** Mon 2/26/2018 10:16:40 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Pebble Mine

Rob – following up on the voicemail I left for you with an update on some of our challenges with the Alaska District.

First, I'm intending to send a letter later this week accepting the Corps' invitation to be a cooperating agency during EIS development for the Pebble project, despite the narrow role the Corps has defined for EPA and the other federal cooperators.

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**Non-responsive: Material unrelated to Bristol Bay/Pebble Mine**





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**From:** Allnutt, David

**Sent:** Friday, February 23, 2018 12:42 PM

**To:** McGrath, Patricia <[mcgrath.patricia@epa.gov](mailto:mcgrath.patricia@epa.gov)>

**Cc:** Peterson, Erik <[Peterson.Erik@epa.gov](mailto:Peterson.Erik@epa.gov)>; Knight, Kelly <[knight.kelly@epa.gov](mailto:knight.kelly@epa.gov)>; Vaughan, Molly <[Vaughan.Molly@epa.gov](mailto:Vaughan.Molly@epa.gov)>; Nogi, Jill <[nogi.jill@epa.gov](mailto:nogi.jill@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** Re: Pebble Mine

Kelly - thanks for reaching out. Our RA is scheduled to speak with Col. Brooks from the Alaska District this afternoon. I will circle back with him on Monday. Let's connect next week on how OFA can help.

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 23, 2018, at 11:16 AM, McGrath, Patricia <[mcgrath.patricia@epa.gov](mailto:mcgrath.patricia@epa.gov)> wrote:

Hi Kelly-

The pertinent correspondence is attached.

1/9 letter from Corps to EPA inviting participation as a cooperating agency

1/11 letter from EPA to Corps with comments on the draft cooperating agency coordination plan

1/29 letter from EPA to Corps expressing concerns with limited cooperating agency role and requesting a meeting

2/20 letter from the Corps responding to EPA's 1/29 letter

As we discussed, the Region is currently drafting a letter accepting cooperating agency involvement and requesting that the Corps remain open to revisiting the scope of our involvement as the EIS progresses.

I am ccing David on this email since he can fill you in on the conversations that have been occurring with EPA HQ. It seems timely to discuss how OFA could assist with these conversations.

Please let me know if you have additional questions.

Patty

**From:** Peterson, Erik

**Sent:** Friday, February 23, 2018 8:43 AM

**To:** Knight, Kelly <[knight.kelly@epa.gov](mailto:knight.kelly@epa.gov)>; Vaughan, Molly <[Vaughan.Molly@epa.gov](mailto:Vaughan.Molly@epa.gov)>; McGrath, Patricia <[mcgrath.patricia@epa.gov](mailto:mcgrath.patricia@epa.gov)>

**Cc:** Nogi, Jill <[nogi.jill@epa.gov](mailto:nogi.jill@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: Pebble Mine

Kelly,

All great questions, thank you.

As an FYI, Region 10 has split Bristol Bay work into two teams. One team is focused on the 404(c) action and the other is focused on the EIS and permitting process. I am the project manager on the 404(c) side and Patty McGrath is the project manager on the EIS/permitting side. Molly Vaughan is the NEPA/309 lead on the EIS/permitting team. Therefore, Patty and/or Molly should respond to your questions. In the meantime I'll send you the cooperating agency invite letter if I can find a copy.

<image002.jpg> **Erik Peterson**, NEPA Reviewer

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**From:** Knight, Kelly  
**Sent:** Friday, February 23, 2018 4:25 AM  
**To:** Peterson, Erik <[Peterson.Erik@epa.gov](mailto:Peterson.Erik@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Nogi, Jill <[nogi.jill@epa.gov](mailto:nogi.jill@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Pebble Mine

Good Morning Erik –

I received a copy of USACE's response to R10's request to expand the scope of cooperating agency involvement for the Pebble Mine EIS. Is there a plan to elevate the issue with the Division? What are the planned next steps? We are trying to determine when and how to engage with our counterparts here at HQ, but don't want to get out ahead of you. Please advise.

Also, would it be possible for you to send me the original cooperating agency invite letter along with R10's response?

Thank you and feel free to call if you'd like to discuss.

R,

Kelly

Kelly Knight

Director, NEPA Compliance Division

Environmental Protection Agency

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<POA-2017-271 USEPA\_Cooperating Agency Invitation Letter 2.pdf>

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Comments.pdf>

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<18-0002-COE Pebble Project Cooperating Agency Response Ltr.Signed.pdf>

**To:** Peterson, Erik[Peterson.Erik@epa.gov]  
**From:** Allnutt, David  
**Sent:** Fri 3/16/2018 10:30:38 PM  
**Subject:** FW: status of Pebble NEPA process

FYI --



**From:** Hladick, Christopher  
**Sent:** Friday, March 16, 2018 3:13 PM  
**To:** Allnutt, David <Allnutt.David@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: status of Pebble NEPA process

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Have a good weekend.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 16, 2018, at 4:58 PM, Allnutt, David <[Allnutt.David@epa.gov](mailto:Allnutt.David@epa.gov)> wrote:

Chris – Marianne tells me that you were looking for some information about the Corps' proposed schedule. Here's what we know as of last week. Patty may have some updates or corrections to this based on her participation in a cooperating agency meeting a couple of days ago.



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**From:** McGrath, Patricia  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 06, 2018 12:36 PM  
**To:** Allnutt, David <[Allnutt.David@epa.gov](mailto:Allnutt.David@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Palomaki, Ashley <[Palomaki.Ashley@epa.gov](mailto:Palomaki.Ashley@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** status of Pebble NEPA process

Hi David-

I understand attendance at the briefing tomorrow is limited.

In case folks ask, below is the latest information about the NEPA process

NEPA Schedule - USACE predicts EIS scoping in April 2018; draft EIS in January 2019; final EIS in December 2019; ROD in March 2020

(Note - the schedule beyond scoping is subject to change depending on the gap analysis for the project information and baseline data that will occur during/following scoping)

404 permit – USACE has indicated that the 404(b)(1) analysis will occur concurrent with the EIS, however it is not clear whether a draft 404(b)(1) analysis will be available with the draft EIS or at the final EIS stage (that could be sorted out at the cooperating agency meeting next week)

Other permits - As far as I know, PLP has not submitted permit applications to the State or other agencies and has indicated that there is no intention to do so this year.

Cooperating agency meeting - We were invited to participate in a cooperating agency meeting next week to discuss the draft scoping document (which is to be sent to us this week), cooperating agency plan, and EIS schedule

Please let me know if you have questions.

Patty

**Patty McGrath |Mining Advisor**

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**From:** Allnutt, David  
**Location:** Teleconference/Webinar as below  
**Importance:** Normal  
**Subject:** FW: Agency Pre-Application Meeting - Department of the Army Application for Proposed Pebble Mine  
**Start Date/Time:** Thur 12/21/2017 6:00:00 PM  
**End Date/Time:** Thur 12/21/2017 7:00:00 PM

Marcia – as discussed.

-----Original Appointment-----

**From:** POA Special Projects [mailto:poaspecialprojects@usace.army.mil]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 04, 2017 3:09 PM  
**To:** POA Special Projects; Drue.pearce@dot.gov; alan.mayberry@dot.gov; linda.daugherty@dot.gov; vasiliki.tsaganos@dot.gov; yvonne.c.yang@uscg.mil; jeddins@achp.gov; rnelson@achp.gov; Allnutt, David; greg.balogh@noaa.gov; jon.kurland@noaa.gov; verena.gill@noaa.gov; doug.limpinsel@noaa.gov; matthew.eagleton@noaa.gov; gretchen.harrington@noaa.gov; kevin.pendergast@bsee.gov; kyle.moselle@alaska.gov; Colligan, Mary; karen\_clark@fws.gov  
**Subject:** Agency Pre-Application Meeting - Department of the Army Application for Proposed Pebble Mine  
**When:** Thursday, December 21, 2017 9:00 AM-10:00 AM (UTC-09:00) Alaska.  
**Where:** Teleconference/Webinar as below

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Thank you to all for responding so quickly and accommodating this request. I will send an agenda and preliminary information prior to the meeting but definitely wanted to get this one on the books with the holidays approaching!

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Sheila

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**Cc:** Szerlog, Michael[Szerlog.Michael@epa.gov]; Nogi, Jill[nogi.jill@epa.gov]; Vaughan, Molly[Vaughan.Molly@epa.gov]  
**From:** Allnutt, David  
**Sent:** Tue 2/6/2018 5:52:15 PM  
**Subject:** RE: List of current EPA staff who worked on the BBWA  
Current EPA staff who worked on BBWA.DOCX

Just to continue the conversation on this topic...

Michael and I participated this morning in a meeting with Emma Lavoie (assistant director of the ORD center in which Glenn and Kate sit). She was very receptive to accessing Glenn's, Kate's, or other's expertise as needed during the NEPA review/permit oversight process. She encouraged us to reach out to them directly as needs arose, but asked to keep her (Emma) in the loop if we did so.



**From:** Hough, Palmer  
**Sent:** Friday, January 05, 2018 2:27 PM  
**To:** McGrath, Patricia <mcgrath.patricia@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Szerlog, Michael <Szerlog.Michael@epa.gov>; Allnutt, David <Allnutt.David@epa.gov>

**Subject:** List of current EPA staff who worked on the BBWA

Patty

Attached is a list of current EPA folks who worked on the BBWA to potentially tap to assist with the NEPA effort.

I have put my recommendations in bold.

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-Palmer

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Palmer Hough, Environmental Scientist  
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**From:** Allnutt, David  
**Location:** R10Sea-Room-14Elwha/R10-Rooms-Service-Center  
**Importance:** Normal  
**Subject:** FW: Bristol Bay Check-in  
**Start Date/Time:** Fri 1/5/2018 6:30:00 PM  
**End Date/Time:** Fri 1/5/2018 7:00:00 PM

Erik -- We'll have to restructure these meetings as the two team concept evolves, but why don't you plan on coming to our next Friday check-in on Jan. 5. Thanks.

-----Original Appointment-----

**From:** R10-OERA Calendar  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 14, 2017 3:20 PM  
**To:** R10-OERA Calendar; Allnutt, David; Anderson-Carnahan, Linda; McGrath, Patricia; Palomaki, Ashley; Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy; Szerlog, Michael; Steiner-Riley, Cara; Lindsay, Andrea; Skadowski, Suzanne; Nogi, Jill  
**Subject:** Bristol Bay Check-in  
**When:** Occurs every 2 week(s) on Friday effective 1/5/2018 until 3/31/2018 from 10:30 AM to 11:00 AM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada).  
**Where:** R10Sea-Room-14Elwha/R10-Rooms-Service-Center

**To:** Brown, Byron[brown.byron@epa.gov]; Darwin, Henry[darwin.henry@epa.gov]  
**Cc:** Knight, Kelly[knight.kelly@epa.gov]; Bolen, Brittany[bolen.brittany@epa.gov]; Feeley, Drew (Robert)[Feeley.Drew@epa.gov]; Bodine, Susan[bodine.susan@epa.gov]; Starfield, Lawrence[Starfield.Lawrence@epa.gov]; Traylor, Patrick[traylor.patrick@epa.gov]  
**From:** Tomiak, Robert  
**Sent:** Tue 2/27/2018 3:54:56 PM  
**Subject:** CEQ One Federal Decision MOU

Byron/Henry,

My CEQ colleague indicated that you all might now have their latest draft MOU in support of the One Federal Decision Executive Order. I'd like to share that with our Regional colleagues, specifically as we are being asked to sign up to several other MOUs or informal agreements in advance, similar to the agreement authored by Federal Highways that I and an OW colleague signed a week or so ago. If one of you can share the latest version of CEQ's MOU, I'd appreciate it.

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V/R, Rob

**To:** Forsgren, Lee[Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov]  
**Cc:** Best-Wong, Benita[Best-Wong.Benita@epa.gov]; Ross, David P[ross.davidp@epa.gov]  
**From:** Goodin, John  
**Sent:** Wed 1/10/2018 9:47:40 PM  
**Subject:** Re: CORRECTION: Pebble Permit Application is available

Got it

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 10, 2018, at 4:33 PM, Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov> wrote:

John

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I need to talk to you and your team tonight if possible.

I have to stay for another meeting with the Administrator but can I email you when I am out and you and the team can meet at my office.

Lee

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**To:** Forsgren, Lee[Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov]  
**From:** Hladick, Christopher  
**Sent:** Wed 2/7/2018 11:31:21 PM  
**Subject:** Re: meeting with the Corps on Feb 9

We have a conference call set up for tomorrow

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 7, 2018, at 2:06 PM, Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov> wrote:

Chris,

We should talk tomorrow and

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Lee

**From:** Hladick, Christopher  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 7, 2018 2:31 PM  
**To:** Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: meeting with the Corps on Feb 9

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See attached

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "McGrath, Patricia" <mcgrath.patricia@epa.gov>  
**To:** "Hladick, Christopher" <hladick.christopher@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** "Allnutt, David" <Allnutt.David@epa.gov>, "Fordham, Tami" <Fordham.Tami@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** meeting with the Corps on Feb 9

Hi Chris-



This Friday, Feb 9, you will be meeting with the US Army Corps of Engineers, including Sheila Newman (Deputy Chief of the Regulatory Division and Pebble Project Manager) and Mike Montone (Acting Chief of the Regulatory Division).

David and I will be participating via VTC from Seattle.

The meeting was set up as a meet & greet. We would also like to discuss the Corps' 1/9 cooperating agency invite letter and our 1/29 response. As you are aware, the Corps' requested that our involvement as a NEPA cooperating agency be limited to CWA 404(b)(1) guidelines expertise, which is inconsistent with the broad and early involvement that we have, historically and currently, as a cooperating agency on other EISs with the Corps and other Federal agencies.

Our response letter requests that the Corps reconsider and invite us to have broader involvement and we requested a meeting to discuss.

I just wanted to be sure that you had the latest correspondence between EPA and the Corps, which is attached, and that you are particularly aware of our 1/29 response letter. Based on a call yesterday with Sheila, it appears that despite our request for broad and collaborative involvement, the Corps may be sticking to its original narrow invite.

In addition, to discussing our cooperating agency involvement on Pebble, it would be helpful to understand whether the Corps sees this as setting a new precedent for our involvement on future Corps-led EISs in Alaska.

Please let me know if you would like any additional information before the meeting.

Best,

Patty

**Patty McGrath |Mining Advisor**

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Fri 12/22/2017 8:23:58 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Please review draft reactive statement re: Pebble Partnership permit application to Army Corps

Thanks

**Nancy Grantham**

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**202-253-7056 (mobile)**

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-Allison

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**Cc:** Shapiro, Mike <[Shapiro.Mike@epa.gov](mailto:Shapiro.Mike@epa.gov)>; Best-Wong, Benita <[Best-Wong.Benita@epa.gov](mailto:Best-Wong.Benita@epa.gov)>; Greenwalt, Sarah <[greenwalt.sarah@epa.gov](mailto:greenwalt.sarah@epa.gov)>; Campbell, Ann <[Campbell.Ann@epa.gov](mailto:Campbell.Ann@epa.gov)>; Drinkard, Andrea <[Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov](mailto:Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov)>; Goodin, John <[Goodin.John@epa.gov](mailto:Goodin.John@epa.gov)>; Connors, Sandra <[Connors.Sandra@epa.gov](mailto:Connors.Sandra@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** Re: Please review draft reactive statement re: Pebble Partnership permit application to Army Corps

Allison

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Lee

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**Sent:** Fri 12/22/2017 8:19:15 PM  
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**To:** Forsgren, Lee[Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov]  
**From:** Dennis, Allison  
**Sent:** Fri 12/22/2017 6:53:53 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Please review draft reactive statement re: Pebble Partnership permit application to Army Corps

Hi- I will call you in 10 min. -allison

Sent from my iPhone

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**Sent:** Fri 12/22/2017 6:18:52 PM  
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**To:** Hladick, Christopher[hladick.christopher@epa.gov]  
**From:** Forsgren, Lee  
**Sent:** Thur 2/22/2018 8:44:55 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Alaska District response to your letter dated Jan-29-2018

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-----Original Message-----

From: Hladick, Christopher  
Sent: Thursday, February 22, 2018 3:41 PM  
To: Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>  
Subject: FW: Alaska District response to your letter dated Jan-29-2018

Corps moving forward with having us as cooperating agency with strict boundaries. We are going to register our concerns with the Col. And as well continue being a cooperating agency.

Chris Hladick  
Regional Administrator  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10  
Office: (206) 553-1234  
Cell: (206) 247-2946  
Fax: (206) 553-1809

-----Original Message-----

From: Allnutt, David  
Sent: Thursday, February 22, 2018 10:50 AM  
To: Hladick, Christopher <hladick.christopher@epa.gov>  
Cc: Pirzadeh, Michelle <Pirzadeh.Michelle@epa.gov>  
Subject: FW: Alaska District response to your letter dated Jan-29-2018

Chris -- as discussed, attached is the letter from the Alaska District reiterating their intention to narrowly restrict the roles of EPA and the other cooperating agencies during development of the EIS for the Pebble project.

R. David Allnutt, Director  
Office of Environmental Review and Assessment U.S. EPA, Region 10  
1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900  
Seattle, Washington 98101-3140  
(206) 553-2581

-----Original Message-----

From: Montone, Michael G CIV USARMY CESAD (US) [mailto:Michael.G.Montone@usace.army.mil]  
Sent: Wednesday, February 21, 2018 6:07 PM  
To: Szerlog, Michael <Szerlog.Michael@epa.gov>; Allnutt, David <Allnutt.David@epa.gov>  
Cc: POA Special Projects <poaspecialprojects@usace.army.mil>  
Subject: Alaska District response to your letter dated Jan-29-2018

Michael and David,

As discussed this morning with Michael, and per my voicemail to David, attached is our response letter, affirming our cooperating agency invitation to EPA Region 10. We look forward to your active participation as outlined in our original invitation and our team should be reaching out to your agency soon, to schedule a kick-off meeting.

Thank you,  
Mike



**Sent:** Fri 2/16/2018 7:56:54 PM  
**Subject:** FW: Draft communication for Ryan Jackson

Next steps on Pebble:

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**From:** Hladick, Christopher  
**Sent:** Tue 3/20/2018 9:14:52 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: FYI: Book: Bristol Bay Alaska: Natural Resources of the Aquatic and Terrestrial Ecosystems

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**From:** "Hough, Palmer" <Hough.Palmer@epa.gov>  
**Date:** March 20, 2018 at 3:53:38 PM CDT  
**To:** "Frazer, Brian" <Frazer.Brian@epa.gov>, "Allnutt, David" <Allnutt.David@epa.gov>, "Bennett, Brittany" <bennett.brittany@epa.gov>, "Best-Wong, Benita" <Best-Wong.Benita@epa.gov>, "Eisenberg, Mindy" <Eisenberg.Mindy@epa.gov>, "Fordham, Tami" <Fordham.Tami@epa.gov>, "Forsgren, Lee" <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>, "Frithsen, Jeff" <Frithsen.Jeff@epa.gov>, "Goodin, John" <Goodin.John@epa.gov>, "Herbst, John" <herbst.john@epa.gov>, "Hladick, Christopher" <hladick.christopher@epa.gov>, "Holsman, Marianne" <Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov>, "Hough, Palmer" <Hough.Palmer@epa.gov>, "Kaiser, Russell" <Kaiser.Russell@epa.gov>, "Libertz, Catherine" <Libertz.Catherine@epa.gov>, "Lindsay, Andrea" <Lindsay.Andrea@epa.gov>, "McGrath, Patricia" <mcgrath.patricia@epa.gov>, "Murphy, Stacy" <Murphy.Stacy@epa.gov>, "Nalven, Heidi" <Nalven.Heidi@epa.gov>, "Neugeboren, Steven" <Neugeboren.Steven@epa.gov>, "Ortiz, Michael" <Ortiz.Michael@epa.gov>, "Palomaki, Ashley" <Palomaki.Ashley@epa.gov>, "Peterson, Erik" <Peterson.Erik@epa.gov>, "Pirzadeh, Michelle" <Pirzadeh.Michelle@epa.gov>, "Skadowski, Suzanne" <Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov>, "Steiner-Riley, Cara" <Steiner-Riley.Cara@epa.gov>, "Stern, Allyn" <Stern.Allyn@epa.gov>, "Szerlog, Michael" <Szerlog.Michael@epa.gov>, "Wake, Neverley" <wake.neverley@epa.gov>, "Wehling, Carrie" <Wehling.Carrie@epa.gov>, "Whitley, Annie" <Whitley.Annie@epa.gov>  
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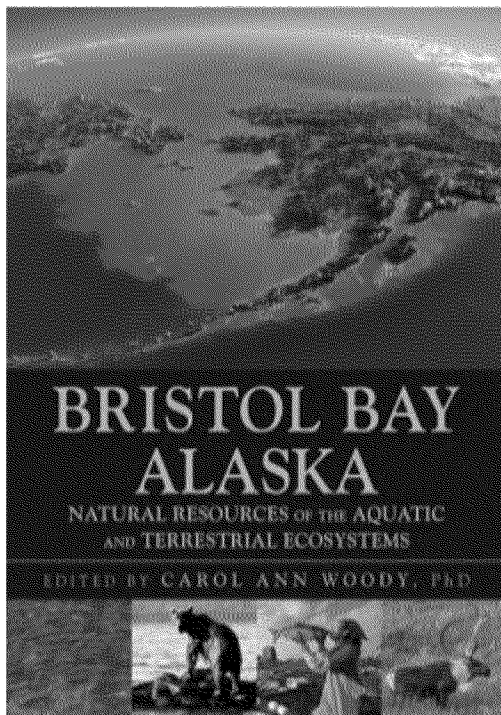
FYI – new 600-page book on Bristol Bay – just in time for the NEPA process

**From:** Frithsen, Jeff  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 20, 2018 3:59 PM  
**To:** Blair, Gregory <GBlair@icfi.com>; Butler, Barbara <Butler.Barbara@epa.gov>; DANIEL RINELLA (djrinnella@gmail.com) <djrinnella@gmail.com>; Dean, Heather <Dean.Heather@epa.gov>; Ebersole, Joe <Ebersole.Joe@epa.gov>; Fordham, Tami

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<kravitz.michael@epa.gov>; Ralph Grismala (rgrismala@icfi.com) <rgrismala@icfi.com>;  
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Glenn <suter.glenn@epa.gov>; Hough, Palmer <Hough.Palmer@epa.gov>  
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FYI – Looks like Carol Ann Woody has completed the anticipated book on Bristol Bay.

<http://www.jrosspub.com/bristol-bay-alaska.html>



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